PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

MICHAEL K. REEVES

S. N. 08/925,920

Art Unit: 3634

Examiner: G. Strimbu

Filed: September 9, 1997

For: WHEEL RETENTION DEVICE

HAVING CAVITY AND CLOSURE

FOR SECURING WHEEL THEREWITHIN

CORROBORATIVE AFFIDAVIT

I, Olda Zinke, declare as follows:

That I was an employee of Sportworks Norhtwest, Inc., the assignee of the wheel retention device of U.S. Patent Application S.N. 08/925,920, prior to April 7, 1997;

That at the direction of Michael K. Reeves I constructed a working model of a wheel retention device with externally rotatable multi-faceted retention ring in this country, in accordance with the four drawings of Exhibit A (attached hereto), prior to April 7, 1997. The wheel retention device with externally rotatable multi-faceted retention ring that I constructed is shown in Exhibit C (attached hereto);

That the time I spent fabricating a wheel retention device with externally rotatable multi-faceted retention ring is accounted for prior to April 7, 1997, on my timesheet which is presented as Exhibit D (attached hereto);

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information

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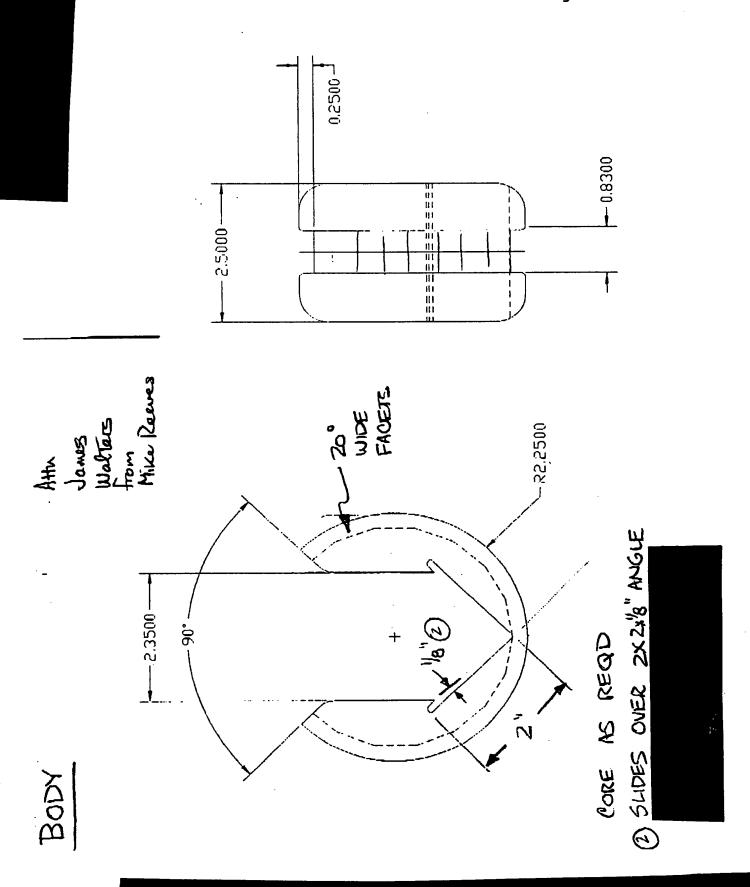
and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Title 18 United States Code, Section 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the subject application or any patent issued thereon.

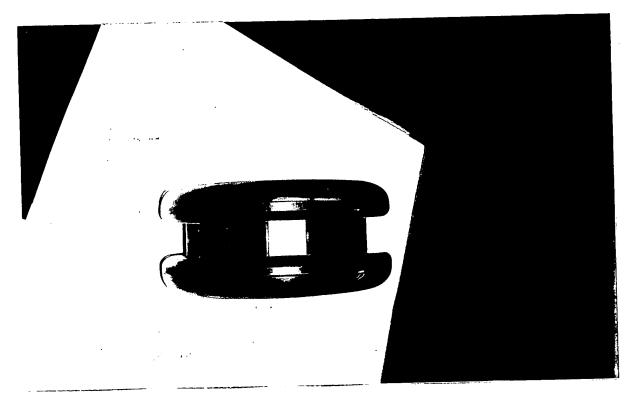
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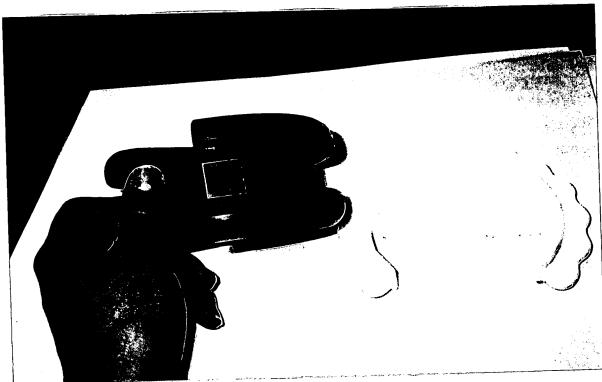
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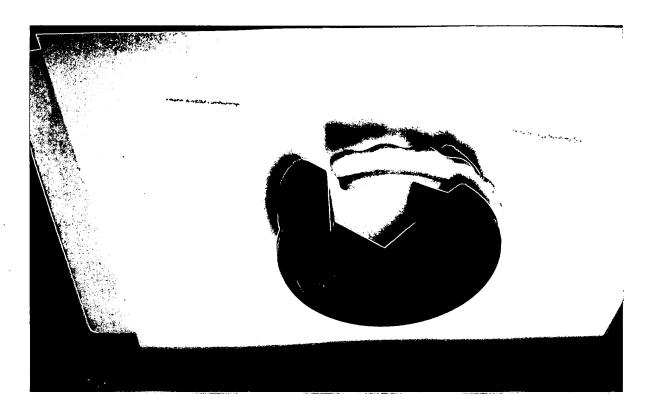
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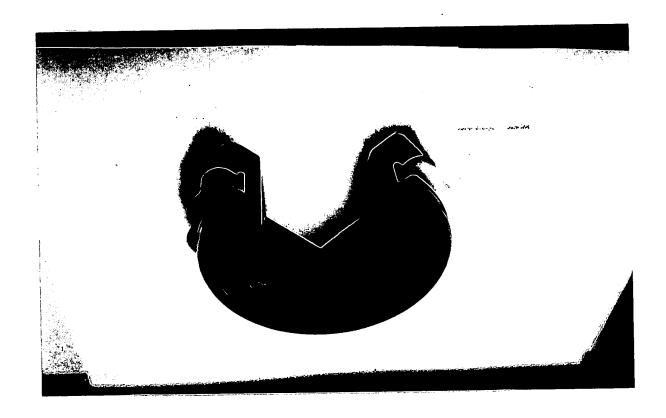


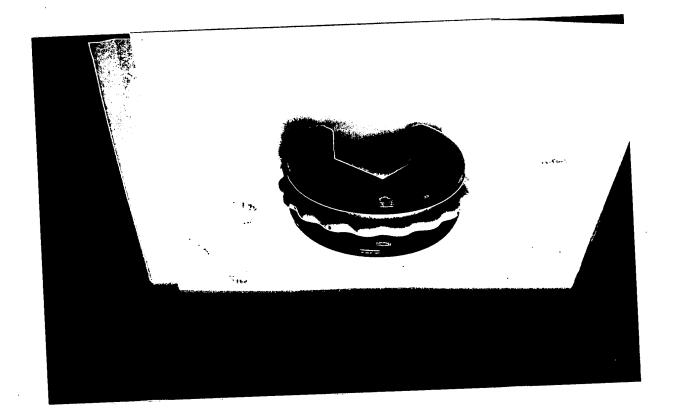












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